Nevada Division of Environmental Protection

AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE

In compliance with the provisions of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended, (33 U.S.C. 1251 et. seq; the "Act"), and Chapter 445A of the Nevada Revised Statutes,

Lake Las Vegas Resort 1605 Lake Las Vegas Parkway Henderson, NV 89011

is authorized to discharge lake water from a facility located at:

Lake Las Vegas Dam 1605 Lake Las Vegas Parkway Henderson, Clark County Nevada

Latitude: 36° 07' 09" N

Longitude: 114° 54' 41" W

Township 21S, Range 63E, Section 14

to receiving waters named:

Lake Mead via the Las Vegas Wash

in accordance with effluent limitations, monitoring requirements, and other conditions set forth in Part I, II and III hereof.

This permit shall become effective on August 26, 2008.

This permit and the authorization to discharge shall expire at midnight, August 26, 2013.

Signed this 26th day of June, 2008,

Janine O. Hartley Staff Engineer II

Bureau of Water Pollution Control

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PART I

I.A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS, MONITORING REQUIREMENTS AND CONDITIONS

I.A.1. During the period beginning on the effective date of this permit, and lasting until the permit expires, the Permittee is authorized to discharge Lake Las Vegas water into the Las Vegas Wash for the purposes of water quality management (Outfall 001). The discharge of Lake Las Vegas water to the Las Vegas Wash shall be limited and monitored by the Permittee as specified below:

 Table 1: Discharge Limitations for Water Quality Management (Outfall 001)

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PARAMETER	DISCHARGE LIMITATIONS		MONITORING REQUIREMENTS	
	30-Day Average	Daily Maximum	Daily Maximum	Sample Type
Cumulative Flow for Water Quality Management, Acre-Feet/yr	2,500 November 1 thru March 30		Continuous	Flow Measurement Devices
Stormwater Releases, acre-feet	Monitor & Report ¹		Monthly	Flow Measurement Devices
pH, S.U.	Within range 6.5 – 9.0		Prior to Discharge then Weekly ²	Composite ³
Dissolved Oxygen, mg/L	5.0		Prior to Discharge then Weekly ²	Composite ³
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (as N), mg/L	17		Prior to Discharge then Weekly ²	Composite ³
Total Suspended Solids, mg/L	135		Prior to Discharge then Weekly ²	Composite ³
Total Dissolved Solids, mg/L	3,000		Prior to Discharge then Weekly ²	Composite ³
Fecal Coliform, c.f.u. or mpn/100 ml	200	400	Prior to Discharge then Weekly ²	Composite ³

Notes:

All flow measurements shall be submitted as part of the quarterly monitoring reports. All water quality data shall be submitted annually as part of the annual water quality monitoring report required by the Division's Bureau of Water Quality Planning, and copied to the Bureau of Water Pollution Control in fulfillment of the Permit NV0022691 reporting requirement.

- 1. Reporting of stormwater releases shall be made to Nevada Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Water Pollution control within 24 hours of the discharge event. The discharge event shall also be reported in the quarterly Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR).
- 2. For discharge events greater than one week in duration, samples shall be collected on a weekly basis.
- 3. A composite sample profile at monitoring point LLV-1 shall consist of (1) sample collected one meter below lake surface, (1) sample collected at mid-water column depth, and (1) sample collected one meter above lake bottom.

- I.A.2. Narrative Standards: (NAC 445A.121) Discharges shall not cause the following standards to be violated in any surface waters of the state. Waters must be free from:
 - a. substances that will settle to form sludge or bottom deposits in amounts sufficient to be unsightly, putrescent or odorous;
 - b. floating debris, oil, grease, scum, and other floating materials in amounts sufficient to be unsightly;
 - c. materials in amounts sufficient to produce taste or odor in the water or detectable off-flavor in the flesh of fish or in amounts sufficient to change the existing color, turbidity or other conditions in the receiving stream to such a degree as to create a public nuisance;
 - d. high temperature, biocides, organisms pathogenic to human beings, toxic, corrosive or other deleterious substances at levels or combinations sufficient to be toxic to human, animal, plant or aquatic life;
 - e. radioactive materials must not result in accumulations of radioactivity in plants or animals that result in a hazard to humans or harm to aquatic life;
 - f. untreated or uncontrolled wastes or effluents that are reasonably amenable to treatment or control;
 - g. substances or conditions which interfere with the beneficial use of the receiving waters.

The narrative standards are not considered violated when the natural conditions of the receiving water are outside the established limits, including periods of high or low flow. Where effluents are discharged to such waters, the discharges are not considered a contributor to substandard conditions provided maximum treatment in compliance with permit requirements is maintained.

- I.A.3. There shall be no objectionable odors caused from the discharge of Lake Las Vegas water into the Las Vegas Wash. There shall be no discharge if the lake water column is stratified, except as may be allowed during storm and flood control events.
- I.A.4. There shall be no discharge of substances that would cause a violation of water quality standards of the State of Nevada.
- I.A.5. There shall be no discharges from the facility except as authorized by this permit or for discharges authorized by the Nevada State Engineer's Office for the purposes of dam safety and flood control management.
- I.A.6. The discharge of Lake Las Vegas water for the purposes of water quality management shall be managed in a manner that minimizes erosion in the Lower Las Vegas Wash. The lake drain valve shall be operated in a manner, which prevents the discharge flow rate from exceeding 100 cubic feet per second.

- I.A.7. Discharges from Lake Las Vegas for the purposes of water quality management shall be conducted in a manner in accordance with the facility's Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Manual, which must be approved by the Administrator. The O&M Manual shall be updated whenever there is a change in the operation of the facility.
- I.A.8. There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts from Lake Las Vegas.
- I.A.9. The Permittee shall remit an annual review and services fee in accordance with NAC 445A.232 starting **July 1, 2009** and every year thereafter until the permit is terminated.
- I.A.10. The Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) must be signed by the facility's highest-ranking officer (responsible official). The first DMR submitted under this permit must include the written designation of the officer (required by Part III.A.2) as the authorized representative to sign the DMRs. If the officer in responsible charge changes, a new designation letter must be submitted.
- I.A.11. All solid, toxic, or hazardous waste shall be properly handled and disposed of pursuant to applicable laws and regulations. Any sludge generated during this operation shall be characterized and disposed of in accordance with local, State, and Federal regulations.
- I.A.12. The Permittee shall maintain on-site at the facility an operations logbook or electronic recordkeeping system for the lake's water quality management discharge system including, but not limited to: start-ups, shut-downs, and operational periods; sampling dates and times; name(s) of personnel performing system maintenance and inspection; and maintenance procedures performed.
- I.A.13. The Permittee shall provide the Division with an annual report indicating the amount and date(s) of water released from Lake Las Vegas, including the volume released for dam safety (toe drain) and flood control management purposes.
- I.A.14. Schedule of Compliance: The Permittee shall implement and comply with the provisions of the schedule of compliance after approval by the Administrator, including in said implementation and compliance, any additions or modifications, which the Administrator may make in approving the schedule of compliance. All compliance deliverables shall be submitted to the attention of:

Mr. Nadir Sous
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control - Las Vegas
2030 E. Flamingo Rd
Suite 230
Las Vegas, NV 89119-0837

- a. The Permittee shall achieve compliance with the effluent limitations upon issuance of the permit.
- b. **By September 25, 2008**, the Permittee shall submit a revised Operations & Maintenance (O&M) Manual, which addresses discharges of water from Lake

Las Vegas for the purposes of water quality management and sampling procedures. The O&M Manual shall also include a section discussing discharges for dam safety and flood control management. The O&M Manual shall be prepared in accordance with the Division's WTS-2 Guidance: *Minimum Information Required for an Operations and Maintenance Manual*. If no revisions to the original O&M Manual have been made, the Permittee shall submit a copy of the original document.

I.B. MONITORING AND REPORTING

I.B.1. Reporting

- a. **Annual Reports:** The fourth quarter report shall contain a summary of discharge activities in the previous year, and plots of concentration (y-axis) versus date (x-axis) for the parameters monitored in Table 1. The plots shall include data from the preceding five years, if available. A narrative explanation must be included for any data point from the current year that is greater than the limits in Part I.A.1.
- b. Quarterly Reporting: Monitoring results obtained pursuant to Section I.A of the permit for the previous three (3) month period shall be summarized for each month and reported on a Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) form. The DMR is to be received in this office no later than the 28th day of the month following the completed reporting period. A narrative must explain any data submitted in excess of the limits of Part I.A.1. The first report under this permit is due on October 28th, 2008. Laboratory results for analyses conducted by outside laboratories must accompany the DMR.
- c. **Compliance Report:** Reports of compliance or noncompliance with, or any progress reports on, interim and final requirements contained in any compliance schedule of this permit shall be submitted no later than 14 days following each schedule date.
- d. **Other information:** Where the Permittee becomes aware that it failed to submit any relevant facts in a permit application, or submitted incorrect information in a permit application or in any report to the Administrator, it shall promptly submit such facts or information.
- e. **Planned changes:** The Permittee shall give notice to the Administrator as soon as possible of any planned physical alterations of additions to the permitted facility. Notice is required only when the alteration or addition to a permitted facility;
 - i. may meet one of the criteria for determining whether a facility is a new source (40 CFR 122.29(b)); or
 - ii. could significantly change the nature or increase the quantity of pollutants discharged; or

- iii. results in a significant change to the Permittee's sludge management practice or disposal sites.
- f. Anticipated non-compliance: The Permittee shall give advance notice to the Administrator of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit requirements.
- g. An original signed copy of these, and all other reports required herein, shall be submitted to the State of Nevada at the following address:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Water Pollution Control ATN: Compliance Coordinator 901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001 Carson City, Nevada 89701

h. A signed copy of all Discharge Monitoring Reports and any other reports shall be submitted to the EPA Regional Administrator at the following address:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX NPDES/DMR WTR-7 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105

I.B.2. **Monitoring**

- a. **Representative Samples:** Samples and measurements taken as required herein shall be representative of the volume and nature of the monitored discharge.
- b. **Test Procedures:** Monitoring for the analysis of pollutants shall be conducted according to test procedures approved under 40 CFR 136 published pursuant to Section 304(h) of the Act, or SW-846, or in the case of sludge disposal, approved under 40 CFR 503, or other procedures as approved by the Administrator in the permit. Analysis shall be performed by a State of Nevada certified laboratory.
- c. **Recording the Results:** For each measurement or sample taken pursuant to the requirements of this permit, the Permittee shall record the following information:
 - i. the exact place, date, and time of sampling;
 - ii. the dates the analyses were performed;
 - iii. the person(s) who performed the analyses;
 - iv. the analytical techniques or methods used; and
 - v. the results of all required analyses.
- d. Additional Monitoring by Permittee: If the Permittee monitors any pollutant at the location(s) designated herein more frequently than required by this permit, using approved analytical methods as specified above, the results of such monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the values

required in the Discharge Monitoring Report Form. Such increased frequency shall also be indicated on the DMR.

- e. **Records Retention:** All records and information resulting from the monitoring activities, permit application, reporting required by this permit, including all records of analyses performed and calibration and maintenance of instrumentation and recordings from continuous monitoring instrumentation, shall be retained for a minimum of three (3) years, or longer if required by the Administrator. Records of monitoring information required by this permit related to the Permittee's sewage sludge use and/or disposal activities shall be retained for a period of at least 5 years or longer as required by 40 CFR 503.
- f. **Detection Limits:** All laboratory analysis conducted in accordance with this discharge permit must meet the following criteria:
 - The most sensitive analytical method specified or approved in either 40 CFR 136 or SW-846 shall be used which is required or approved by the Nevada state laboratory certification program; and
 - ii. Each parameter shall have detection at or below the permit limits or the method detection limit as defined in the analytical method; or
 - iii. The Permittee is considered in compliance if the reported results are less than the established permit limit.
- g. **Modification of Monitoring Frequency and Sample Type:** After considering monitoring data, stream flow, discharge flow and receiving water conditions, the Administrator, may for just cause, modify the monitoring frequency and/or sample type by issuing an order to the Permittee.

I.B.3. **Definitions**

- a. The "30-day average discharge" means the total discharge during a month divided by the number of samples in the period that the facility was discharging. Where less than daily sampling is required by this permit, the 30-day average discharge shall be determined by the summation of all the measured discharges divided by the number of samples during the period when the measurements were made.
- b. The "daily maximum" is the highest measurement during the monitoring period.
- c. The "30-day average concentration", other than for fecal coliform bacteria, means the arithmetic mean of measurements made during a month. The "30-day average concentration" for fecal coliform bacteria means the geometric mean of measurements made during a month. The geometric mean is the "nth" root of the product of "n" numbers. Geometric mean calculations where there are non-detect results for fecal coliform shall use one-half the detection limit as the value for the non-detect results.
- d. A "discrete" sample means any individual sample collected in less than 15 minutes.

e. For flow-rate measurements a "composite" sample means the arithmetic mean of no fewer than six individual measurements taken at equal time intervals for 24 hours, or for the duration of discharge, whichever is shorter.

For other than flow-rate a "composite" sample means a combination of no fewer than six individual flow-weighted samples obtained at equal time intervals for 24 hours, or for the duration of discharge, whichever is shorter. Flow-weighted sample means that the volume of each individual sample shall be proportional to the discharge flow rate at the time of sampling.

f. Biosolids are non-hazardous sewage sludge or domestic septage as these terms are defined in 40 CFR 503.9.

PART II

II.A. MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS

- II.A.1. Change in Discharge: All discharges authorized herein shall be consistent with the terms and conditions of this permit. The discharge of any pollutant identified in this permit more frequently than or at a level in excess of that authorized shall constitute a violation of the permit. Any anticipated facility expansions, or treatment modifications which will result in new, different, or increased discharges of pollutants must be reported by submission of a new application or, if such changes will not violate the effluent limitations specified in this permit, by notice to the permit issuing authority of such changes. Any changes to the permitted treatment facility must comply with Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445A.283 to 445A.285. Pursuant to NAC 445A.263, the permit may be modified to specify and limit any pollutants not previously limited.
- II.A.2. <u>Facilities Operation-Proper Operation and Maintenance:</u> The Permittee shall at all times maintain in good working order and operate as efficiently as possible all treatment or control facilities, collection systems or pump stations installed or used by the Permittee to achieve compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit. Proper operation and maintenance includes effective performance, adequate funding, adequate operator staffing and training, and adequate laboratory and process controls, including appropriate quality assurance/quality control procedures.
- II.A.3. <u>Adverse Impact-Duty to Mitigate:</u> The Permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize releases to the environment resulting from noncompliance with any effluent limitations specified in this permit, including such accelerated or additional monitoring as necessary to determine the nature and impact of the noncomplying discharge. The Permittee shall carry out such measures, as reasonable, to prevent significant adverse impacts on human health or the environment.

II.A.4. Noncompliance, Unauthorized Discharge, Bypassing and Upset

a. Any diversion, bypass, spill, overflow or discharge of treated or untreated wastewater from wastewater treatment or conveyance facilities under the control of the Permittee is prohibited except as authorized by this permit. In the event

the Permittee has knowledge that a diversion, bypass, spill, overflow or discharge not authorized by this permit is probable, the Permittee shall notify the Administrator immediately.

- b. The Permittee shall notify the Administrator within twenty-four (24) hours of any diversion, bypass, spill, upset, overflow or release of a discharge other than that which is authorized by the permit. A written report shall be submitted to the Administrator within five (5) days of diversion, bypass, spill, overflow, upset or discharge, detailing the entire incident including:
 - i. time and date of discharge;
 - ii. exact location and estimated amount of discharge;
 - iii. flow path and any bodies of water which the discharge reached;
 - iv. the specific cause of the discharge; and
 - v. the preventive and/or corrective actions taken.
- c. The following shall be included as information which must be reported within 24 hours:
 - i. any unanticipated bypass which exceeds any effluent limitation in the permit;
 - ii. any upset which exceeds any effluent limitation in the permit;
 - iii. violation of a limitation for any toxic pollutant or any pollutant identified as the method to control a toxic pollutant.
- d. The Permittee shall report all instances of noncompliance not reported under Part II.A.4.b. at the time monitoring reports are submitted. The reports shall contain the information listed in Part II.A.4.b.
- e. A "**bypass**" means the intentional diversion of lake water from any portion of the facility.
 - Bypass not exceeding limitations: The Permittee may allow any bypass
 to occur which does not cause effluent limitations to be exceeded, but
 only if it also is for essential maintenance to assure efficient operation.
 These bypasses are not subject to the provisions of paragraphs a and b of
 this section.
 - ii. **Anticipated bypass:** If the Permittee knows in advance of the need for a bypass, it shall submit prior notice, if possible at least ten days before the date of bypass.
- f. **Prohibition of Bypass:** Bypass is prohibited, and the Administrator may take enforcement action against a Permittee for bypass, unless:
 - i. Bypass was unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage.
 - ii. There were no feasible alternatives to the bypass or maintenance during normal periods of equipment down time. This condition is not satisfied if adequate back-up equipment should have been installed in the exercise of

- reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a bypass which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventative maintenance; and
- iii. The Permittee submitted notices as required under paragraph e of this section.
- g. The Administrator may approve an anticipated bypass, after considering its adverse effects, if the Administrator determines that it will meet the three conditions listed in paragraph f of this section.
- h. An "upset" means an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with technology based permit effluent limitations because of factors beyond the reasonable control of the Permittee. An upset does not include noncompliance to the extent caused by operational error, improperly designed treatment facilities, inadequate treatment facilities, lack of preventive maintenance, or careless or improper operation.
- i. **Effect of an upset:** An upset constitutes an affirmative defense to an action brought for non-compliance with such technology-based permit effluent limitations if the requirements of paragraph j of this section are met.
- j. Conditions necessary for a demonstration of an upset: A Permittee who wishes to establish the affirmative defense of upset shall demonstrate, through properly signed, contemporaneous operating logs, or other relevant evidence that:
 - i. An upset occurred and that the Permittee can identify the cause(s) of the upset;
 - ii. The permitted facility was at the time being properly operated; and
 - iii. The Permittee submitted notice of the upset as required under paragraph c of this section; and
 - iv. The Permittee complied with any remedial measures required under II.A.3.
- k. In selecting the appropriate enforcement option, the Administrator shall consider whether or not the noncompliance was the result of an upset. The burden of proof is on the Permittee to establish that an upset occurred.
- II.A.5. Removed Substances: Solids, sludges, filter backwash, or other pollutants removed in the course of treatment or control of waste waters shall be disposed of in a manner such as to prevent any pollution from such materials from entering any navigable waters.
- II.A.6. <u>Safeguards to Electric Power Failure:</u> In order to maintain compliance with the effluent limitations and prohibitions of this permit the Permittee shall either:
 - a. provide at the time of discharge an alternative power source sufficient to operate the wastewater control facilities;
 - b. halt or reduce all discharges upon the reduction, loss, or failure of the primary source of power to the wastewater control facilities.

II.B. RESPONSIBILITIES

- II.B.1. <u>Right of Entry and Inspection:</u> The Permittee shall allow the Administrator and/or his authorized representatives, upon the presentation of credentials, to:
 - enter at reasonable times upon the Permittee's premises where an effluent source is located or in which any records are required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit;
 - b. have access to and copy any records required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit;
 - c. inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations required in this permit;
 - d. perform any necessary sampling or monitoring to determine compliance with this permit at any location for any parameter.
- II.B.2. Transfer of Ownership or Control: In the event of any change in control or ownership of facilities from which the authorized discharge emanates, the Permittee shall notify the succeeding owner or controller of the existence of this permit, by letter, a copy of which shall be forwarded to the Administrator. The Administrator may require modification or revocation and reissuance of the permit to change the name of the Permittee and incorporate such other requirements as may be necessary. Division approval is required for all permit transfers.
- II.B.3. Availability of Reports: Except for data determined to be confidential under NRS 445A.665, all reports prepared in accordance with the terms of this permit shall be available for public inspection at the office of the Administrator. As required by the Act, effluent data shall not be considered confidential. Knowingly making any false statement on any such report may result in the imposition of criminal penalties as provided for in NRS 445A.710.
- II.B.4. Furnishing False Information and Tampering with Monitoring Devices: Any person who knowingly makes any false statement, representation, or certification in any application, record, report, plan or other document filed or required to be maintained by the provisions of NRS 445A.300 to 445A.730, inclusive, or by any permit, rule, regulation or order issued pursuant thereto, or who falsifies, tampers with or knowingly renders inaccurate any monitoring device or method required to be maintained under the provisions of NRS 445A.300 to 445A.730, inclusive, or by any permit, rule, regulation or order issued pursuant thereto, is guilty of a gross misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or by imprisonment. This penalty is in addition to any other penalties, civil or criminal, provided pursuant to NRS 445A.300 to 445A.730, inclusive.
- II.B.5. Penalty for Violation of Permit Conditions: Nevada Revised Statutes NRS 445A.675 provides that any person who violates a permit condition is subject to administrative and

judicial sanctions as outlined in NRS 445A.690 through 445A.705.

II.B.6. Permit Modification, Suspension or Revocation

- a. After notice and opportunity for a hearing, this permit may be modified, suspended, or revoked in whole or in part during its term for cause including, but not limited to, the following:
 - i. violation of any terms or conditions of this permit; or
 - ii. obtaining this permit by misrepresentation or failure to disclose fully all relevant facts; or
 - iii. a change in any condition that requires either a temporary or permanent reduction or elimination of the authorized discharge; or
 - iv. a determination that the permitted activity endangers human health or the environment and can only be regulated to acceptable levels by permit modification or termination; or
 - v. there are material and substantial alterations or additions to the permitted facility or activity; or.
 - vi. the Administrator has received new information; or
 - vii. the standards or regulations have changed; or
 - viii. the Administrator has received notification that the permit will be transferred.
- b. **Minor Modifications:** With the consent of the Permittee and without public notice, the Administrator may make minor modifications in a permit to:
 - i. correct typographical errors;
 - ii. clarify permit language;
 - iii. require more frequent monitoring or reporting;
 - iv. change an interim compliance date in a schedule of compliance, provided the new date is not more than 120 days after the date specified in the permit and does not interfere with attainment of the final compliance date:
 - v. allow for change in ownership; change the construction schedule for a new discharger provided that all equipment is installed and operational prior to discharge;
 - vi. delete an outfall when the discharge from that outfall is terminated and does not result in discharge of pollutants from other outfalls except in accordance with permit limits.
- II.B.7. Toxic Pollutants: Notwithstanding Part II.B.6. above, if a toxic effluent standard or prohibition (including any schedule of compliance specified in such effluent standard or prohibition) is established under Section 307(a) of the Act for a toxic pollutant which is present in the discharge and such standard or prohibition is more stringent than any limitation for such pollutant in this permit, this permit shall be revised or modified in accordance with the toxic effluent standard or prohibition and the Permittee so notified.
- II.B.8. <u>Liability:</u> Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any

legal action or relieve the Permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties established pursuant to any applicable Federal, State or local laws, regulations, or ordinances.

- II.B.9. <u>Property Rights:</u> The issuance of this permit does not convey any property rights, in either real or personal property, or any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to private property or any invasion of personal rights, nor any infringement of Federal, State or local laws or regulations.
- II.B.10. **Severability:** The provisions of this permit are severable, and if any provision of this permit, or the application of any provisions of this permit to any circumstance, is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances, and the remainder of this permit, shall not be affected thereby.
- II.B.11. **Duty to Comply:** The Permittee shall comply with all conditions of this permit. Any permit noncompliance constitutes a violation of the Act and is grounds for enforcement action; for permit termination; revocation and reissuance, or modification; or denial of a permit renewal application.
- II.B.12. Need to Halt or Reduce Activity Not a Defense: It shall not be a defense for a Permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with this permit.
- II.B.13. <u>Duty to Provide Information</u>: The Permittee shall furnish to the Administrator, within a reasonable time, any relevant information which the Administrator may request to determine whether cause exists for modifying, revoking and reissuing, or terminating this Permit, or to determine compliance with this permit. The Permittee shall also furnish to the Administrator, upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this Permit.

PART III

III.A. OTHER REQUIREMENTS

III.A.1. Reapplication: If the Permittee desires to continue to discharge, he shall reapply not later than 180 days before this permit expires on the application forms then in use. POTW's with NPDES permits shall submit the sludge information listed at 40 CFR 501.15(a)(2) with the renewal application. The renewal application shall be accompanied by the fee required by NAC 445A.232.

III.A.2. Signatures, Certification Required on Application and Reporting Forms:

a. All applications, reports, or information submitted to the Administrator shall be signed and certified by making the following certification.

"I certify under penalty of law, that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

- b. All applications, reports or other information submitted to the Administrator shall be signed by one of the following:
 - i. A principal executive officer of the corporation (of at least the level of vice president) or his authorized representative who is responsible for the overall operation of the facility from which the discharge described in the application or reporting form originates; or
 - ii. A general partner of the partnership; or
 - iii. The proprietor of the sole proprietorship; or
 - iv. A principal executive officer, ranking elected official or other authorized employee of the municipal, state or other public facility.
- c. Changes to Authorization: If an authorization under paragraph b. of this section is no longer accurate because a different individual or position has responsibility for the overall operation of the facility, a new authorization satisfying the requirements of paragraph b. of this section must be submitted to the Administrator prior to or together with any reports, information, or applications to be signed by an authorized representative.